

Appl. No. 09/897,972  
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**REMARKS**

Claims 1-21 are currently pending the above-referenced patent application.

**In the Office Action:** Claims 1-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Eaton et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,483,588).

**In reply to the rejection of claims 1-21 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration.** Claims 1-21 recite a service control point.

Eaton et al. relates to a voice processing interface for a teleconference system. On page 2 of the Office Action, it is stated that "... Easton discloses...a Service Control Point ..." It is implied in the Office Action that Eaton discloses a service control point in either column 3, lines 12-26; column 6, lines 5-13; column 6, lines 58-67; column 7, lines 15-28; or column 7, lines 29-48. However, there is no disclosure of a service control point in Eaton et al. At least for this reason, a *prima facie* case of anticipation has not been established.

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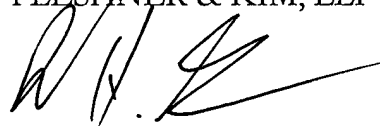
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### CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, Daniel H. Sherr at the telephone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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